

# Midcoast Community Council

*An elected Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors*

*representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar*

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Date: May 11, 2022

To: Michael Schaller, Senior Planner, San Mateo County Planning & Building Dept.

From: Midcoast Community Council

Subject: **Caltrans SR1 Traffic Operational Systems Improvements Project**

In response to your inquiry of April 18th, the MCC has revisited its prior limited endorsement of Variable Message Signs (VMS) as part of the Caltrans SR1 Traffic Operational Systems Improvements Project. Based on community feedback since our letter of Nov. 18, 2020, and the removal of VMS from the adjacent Caltrans' SR 1 Multi-Asset Roadway Rehabilitation project, we now oppose any use of VMS in our area. Those signs do not fit the rural character of our area and consume a large roadway footprint.

We continue to support the technology proposed for traffic monitoring, with the expectation that it will lead to: shareable, current traffic data to be used in transportation planning Midcoast; a reduction in footprint for Caltrans equipment; and the introduction of broadband capability, as was mentioned in a recent Caltrans presentation.

Thank you for your inquiry, and please register our concerns with the Planning Commission.

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s/Claire Toutant, Chair